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Hongkong, 31st May, 1900.

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HONGKONG, June 2nd, 1900.

RECENTLY we spoke of the important constitutional problem involved in the draft Enabling Bill presented by the Colonies of Australia as the foundation of the New Commonwealth. The delay in the submission of that draft to Parliament has in no respect been unprofitable. It may be remembered, that, when the draft was first submitted, it was accompanied by an intimation which, although tacit, was intended to be plainly understood, that it was a case of the whole hill or none; it is instructive to notice that this position has been, equally tacitly, modified. The Colonies have come to understand better the attitude of the country on the entire subject, and have learnt to recognise that over and beyond the relations of the Commonwealth to Parliament, there have to be discussed its position vis-à-vis the people of England, the Empire at large, and its connection with the common Crown. The extremely foolish speech of Mr. HENDERBURY in the House of Commons showed how little was really comprehended on either side of these matters, and had the negative merit of having afforded the opportunity to Mr. CHAMBERLAIN of pointing out the constitutional questions really involved. It has become very apparent that one of the bugbears which has been frightening the Australian is that of possible Parliamentary interference, and such speeches as that of the member for the Wick Burghs, unless promptly repudiated, would go far to strengthen their apprehension. It is not likely that Mr. HENDERBURY has a sufficient

knowledge of colonial history, or indeed of constitutional history in any of its phases, to recognise how maladroit was his suggestion, that, apparently as a matter of grace, the colonies should be represented by an insignificant minority in the House of Commons; which nevertheless on the fiction of their being represented, would assume rights over them. The great grievance of the American Colonies, which eventually led to their revolt, was that Parliament had presumed to interfere in their personal affairs, and in pursuance of this assumed right had proceeded to tax them. The distinction, where they were to be represented by a ridiculously insignificant minority, would only aggravate their inability; the very fact of the proposition having been made and apparently supported showed that the apprehension was only too well founded.

The use of Parliamentary government is, of course, to check the opposite evils which are the necessary result of uncontrolled personal rule; and this it is able to do, as being the actual representative of the individuals who are most likely to be affected thereby. But when leaving these broad principles, it has sought itself to become the directing power it has invariably failed—failed, it may be said, at all times and in all places. This failure has been the most conspicuous when a democracy has had to deal with dependencies, whether colonies or acquired territories; and is equally true whether we go back to the first springs of constitutional history in the republics of Greece, or in these modern times survey the colonial policy of France, or even within these last few months of the United States. In England itself it has with difficulty been avoided in the case of India, where a noisy set of would-be statesmen are ever seeking the opportunity of forcing upon the Imperial Government the crudest schemes of the latest political faddist. We see a reversion of the same weakness common to all democracies in the recent attempts of certain busybodies to interfere between the Government and the Boer Dependencies in South Africa, of which it may be said that it is difficult to decide whether the ignorance of the special subject or the inability to comprehend the general question are the more conspicuous; but all these fade into insignificance before Mr. HENDERBURY's last attempt to settle the British Constitution.

Mr. CHAMBERLAIN, as a man or statesman, is not deficient in personal courage, but Mr. CHAMBERLAIN, as well he might, stood against the supreme folly of the suggestion made by the Member for the Wick Burghs, which in words too flattering to the proposer he described as "premature and anemic," and "likely to be mischievous." "Fools rush in," says the proverb, "where angels fear to follow," and a more pronounced instance of the truth of the saying could scarcely be found than the speech of the member in introducing his resolution. That, if the Empire is to be a living entity, and not a mere thing of shreds and patches, some system of Imperial Government must be evolved is beyond question, and has impressed itself on every thoughtful man; but that an English Parliament, flavoured by any proportion of Colonial essence, would meet the want, is an idea that has not yet commended itself to any practical statesman. This is quite independent of the stern fact that the allegiance of the Colonies is due, not to Parliament but to the Crown direct; and this position at once raises the wide question of the responsibility of Ministers. An Empire where the tenure of office of the great ministers shall rest with the momentary caprice of the British House of Commons hardly meets one's theoretical views as to the fitness of things, and doubtless in time will meet its natural solution. The doctrine is of comparatively late growth, even in England itself, and will doubtless find a modification as the occasion serves. And this leads us to a consideration of what at the moment seems feasible towards the improvement of the general relations of the component parts of the Empire towards one another. The right of appeal to the Sovereign in Council, as we recently pointed out, is one of those points which the recent action of the Australian Colonies has brought into prominence. Apparently under an erroneous idea that it was more or less associated with aspirations towards parliamentary rule, the colonial propositions would have taken away this vested right of the subject. The discussion on the subject has tended to put the affair on a very different basis, and shown that the English people no more than themselves desire to inflict on their fellow subjects any such incubus. In this instance the result of the discussion has been fraught with benefit, for the Colonies, finding that the discussion of their proposals has been taken up in no narrow spirit, and with no object of obstructiveness, have displayed a temper as far removed from factionism as it is to Mr. CHAMBERLAIN's honour that he has fully recognised this fact, and in introducing the Commonwealth Bill in the House of Commons has been able to recommend the House not to pass the clauses forbidding appeal. It is a recognition of

his ability, and knowledge of the position, that this statement, which from a less distinguished minister might have evoked from the Colonies some expression of dissatisfaction; has apparently met with the approbation of all. It has even done more, for it has enabled the minister to take the first step in rendering more close along constitutional lines the connection between the Crown and its Colonial Dependencies. When the idea of conferring life peerages on certain of the high Law Officers of the Crown was first mooted it aroused very serious opposition and for many years was placed on the shelf. Its inherent advantages, however, became so apparent that, after a short term of incubation, when again proposed it was willingly accepted by all. Subsequent experience of its working has confirmed its utility. Though gradually the right of the Colonial administrations to some legitimate recognition has been dawning on men's minds the form and method had not assumed definite shape. The introduction of the Commonwealth Bill, and the very evident necessity of putting the Court of Appeal in order, afforded the required opportunity, and it is satisfactory to find that Mr. CHAMBERLAIN had the courage of his convictions. The proposed measure, which contemplates the selection of judges of appeal by the Colonies themselves, though a new departure, is quite in accord with constitutional precedent, and will almost certainly meet with general approval when introduced to the House of Lords. It will still further emphasise the independence of the Colonies of Parliamentary Government, and will, doubtless in the near future, lead the way to further developments of the constitutional bond. At all events the present Government is to be congratulated for the spirit in which a difficult task has been taken up, and the temper in which the relations of the Home Country and its Dependencies are being conducted.

Mr. F. HAZELAND commenced his duties as Acting Public Magistrate yesterday.

The Hancock, with the American Philippine Commission on board, left for Manila yesterday morning.

In the 24 hours preceding noon of the 1st inst. there were reported eight fresh cases of plague and five deaths.

On Thursday morning an old woman fell into the water at Aberdeen from a small boat and was drowned, the body being recovered later on.

We regret to say that in consequence of indisposition the Chief Justice (Sir John Carrington, Kt., O.M.G.) was unable to attend the Supreme Court yesterday.

If the weather be fine, there will be a Trooping of the Colour by the Hongkong Regiment on the new Parade Ground, close to Murray Barracks on Whit Monday, at 6 p.m., when medals will be provided for Europeans.

At the Magistrate's yesterday eight or nine men were fined \$2 each for plying with rickshaws without licenses. It was explained that it was a common thing for the licensed coolies, when they had had a good day, to take a holiday and hire out their rickshaws to others, and that it was generally the latter who had disputes with their fares, in consequence of their desire to make as much as they could while in charge of the vehicles.

The Band of the Hongkong Regiment will play at the Hongkong Hotel this evening from 8 p.m. to 9.30 p.m. The following is the programme—
March—"Cock of the North".....Hume Overture....."Sunlight and Shade".....Farker Selection....."Faust".....Gounod Waltz....."Annetten Tanz".....Gungl Polka....."Mazurka".....Wallace Polka....."Bon Vivante".....Godfrey "God save the Queen."

The second Gymkhana of the season will if the weather be favourable, take place this afternoon on the Happy Valley and Race Course, and six events are down on the programme, starting with a Five Furlong Race for China ponies, at 4.30 p.m. The full details have already appeared in our advertisement columns, from which it will be seen that only good weather should be required to make the meeting a success.

On the 29th ult. a junk was sunk at Cape Horn, and since then the officers have been busily engaged in removing the rice with which it was loaded, having engaged a launch for the purpose. On Thursday afternoon the people on the launch observed three small boats in the vicinity of the wreck, and on boarding them found that they had taken 14 bags of rice. The occupants—seven in number—of the boats were seized and landed over to the police. Yesterday at the Magistracy Mr. Hazeland sentenced each of them to six months' hard labour.

The musical box stolen from the office of Mr. Munford Lloyd's agent, in Bascomfield Avenue last week has been recovered by the police, who found it in a second-hand furniture shop in Hollywood Road. The dealer, who was arrested for being in unlawful possession, said the article had been left with him to sell, but that he did not know the person who had left it. The defendant appeared before Mr. Hazeland at the Magistracy yesterday, when a clerk from the office of a local solicitor appeared and asked for a remand. His Worship, however, declined to listen to the application until it was made by the solicitor himself.

The U.S. *Oregon*, which arrived on Thursday, is going into dock, after which she will return north.

A Consul in the city received a wire from his minister yesterday to the effect that the situation at Taku is much more hopeful.

In consequence of the receipt of the intelligence that Pretoria had been entered by the British the soldiers attending the schools in the city were given a holiday.

Yesterday was the fifth day of the fifth moon, on which the Dragon boat festival, described by our Canton correspondent last Monday, takes place. Chinese observers of the festival were seen as well as heard in the harbour yesterday morning.

We are informed by Messrs. John D. Humphreys & Son, General Managers of Olivers Freehold Mines, Limited, that they have received the following telegram from the Mines:—"During May 141 tons of stone were crushed, yielding 93 ounces retorted gold. The mill ran 10 days."

It is reported that H.M.S. *Argonaut*, which commissioned at Chatham on the 19th April and was expected shortly on the China station, accompanied by the two torpedo-boat destroyers, *Coquette*, Commander M. T. Parks, and *Cygnet*, Lieut. F. Wray, who were to act as tenders to the cruiser, has broken down and will be delayed a month. The *Argonaut*, which is in command of Capt. G. M. Cherry, has a complement of 687 men, and is coming out to relieve the *Undaunted*.

Eng Hok Fong, a Chinaman in a good position in the colony, was again brought before Mr. Gompertz at the Magistracy yesterday afternoon on a charge of being drunk and disorderly in Queen's Road West on the morning of the 14th ult., his two co-accused being also charged with interfering with the police in the execution of their duty.—Mr. Looker appeared for the man, who brought a charge of assault against Chinese constables 182 and 234 and District Watchman 22. The charge against the constables and watchman was dismissed, but His Worship observed that in such a case as this the police should get a chair or rickshaw to take the man to the Police Station.—Mr. Looker: I make application for appeal in this case on a question of fact.—His Worship: You had better apply to-morrow morning.—In the other case a fine of \$20 had been imposed on the man, the women being discharged.—Inspector Baker said two cases, each valued at \$5, were torn to pieces, and he asked for compensation.—Mr. Looker contended that in consequence of the rough manner in which the police treated his client no compensation should be allowed.—His Worship ultimately decided to impose a fine of \$10, instead of \$20, for being drunk and disorderly and to allow \$10 compensation.

EXTRAORDINARY AFFAIR AT ABERDEEN.

A REMARKABLE INSTANCE OF NATIVE IGNORANCE.
One would naturally think that the Chinese of Hongkong, seeing that they are constantly brought into contact with Westerners, would know better than to believe stories of white people similar to those which obtain elsewhere in the interior of China, and which are frequently at the bottom of attacks on missionaries and others; but every now and then incidents occur which go to show that many of the native population of Hongkong are as densely ignorant as their countrymen who hardly ever see a white man.
Many of our readers will remember that when Tyram Reservoir was being made some years ago the junk people at Shantwan began to fire off cannon and guns, and when the reason was enquired into it transpired that an impression had got abroad that the white men were going to seize all the young children and old people and place them under the foundations of the reservoir for the purpose of appeasing the evil spirits, who were angry because the reservoir was being made where it was, the "fengshui" not being favourable. Many of the children had been taken away from school and with a good number of old people sent into the country for fear they should meet with this horrible fate.
It appears that an impression prevails that the railway from Kowloon to Canton will pass over a spot which it will not be lucky for it to pass over, and that to put matters right it will be necessary to bury a large number of old people and young children there. Accordingly at about half-past seven on Thursday night Sergeant Langley and the police at Aberdeen were thrown into a state of consternation by a tremendous cannonade and fusillade which proceeded from the harbour, the uproar being so great that they really believed that war had suddenly broken out with Russia and that the Muscovites were upon us. Probably the sergeant's first impulse was to alarm the Garrison, not forgetting the Hongkong Volunteers, but on second thoughts he decided to look into the matter more closely before taking this step.
Hesoon learned that the firing, which emanated from the junk, was intended to frighten away a launch which it was said was coming from Hongkong to sets all the old people and young children and offer them up as sacrifices. Seeing that they were imbued with this idea, it is a wonder that the people were satisfied with firing merely blank shot. There is no talking what would have happened had ball cartridges been used. Sergeant Langley endeavoured to pour oil on the troubled waters, but for some time his efforts were unavailing. He then approached the head men of the village and urged them to go to the junk people and re-assure them. At first they were much averse to doing this,

being afraid lest the terrified ones might pour a volley into them. Ultimately, however, they were prevailed upon to visit them. They found them in a state of tremendous excitement, but after a time they calmed down and seemed inclined to listen to reason.

At last the firing ceased, but early yesterday morning it was resumed with increased vigour, the report appearing like wild fire that the dreaded launch and its ghastly occupants had at last arrived. Again the people were with considerable difficulty re-assured, and no further alarm was raised.

It seems that in the afternoon the schoolmaster at Aberdeen was approached with a view to his allowing the children to leave for home earlier than usual, so that they might be removed to a place of safety before the arrival of the blood-thirsty whites.

CORRESPONDENCE.

[We do not hold ourselves responsible for the opinions expressed by our correspondents.]

A SUGGESTION FOR WHIT MONDAY.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "DAILY PRESS."
Hongkong, 1st June.

Sir,—I read in your paper this morning that the Hongkong Regiment will troop the colours on Whit Monday evening for the benefit of the public, who will undoubtedly appreciate the ceremony.

The daily telegrams will now bring us news of more "unparalleled enthusiasm" at home over the capture of Pretoria, and as we cannot reach those heights of enthusiasm here, may I respectfully suggest to H.E. the Acting-Governor, and the Officers of the two Regiments, that if the two Bands could be allowed to play on the Parade Ground on Monday evening—as at the *Terrible* fête—it would be much appreciated.

Its success would be further enhanced if the Bands played patriotic and national airs only on this occasion in preference to anything foreign or operatic.—Yours, etc.

BRITISHER.

PUBLIC REJOICING IN HONGKONG.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "DAILY PRESS."
Hongkong, 1st June.

Sir,—It really seems that Hongkong has allowed the wish to be father to the thought in the matter of rejoicing over the capture of Pretoria. It is probable that the news which we received in the colony on Thursday was due to one of the adventurous evening papers which do their best to make the latter part of the day in London more exciting than it would be if any play of half-penny journalistic imagination were barred. But doubtless our enthusiasm will not show any appreciable falling off when the news of the floating of the British flag over President Kruger's late home is placed beyond a doubt. When this event occurs we shall feel the satisfaction of having been first in the field. I do not know whether anything in the way of public rejoicing is contemplated to supplement the many private rejoicings which have already testified to our loyalty and our gratification at the success of the Empire's arms. Many would like, no doubt, to see a fête something like that which was given in honour of Captain Scott and the Officers of the *Terrible* lately, only more general in its nature. At Singapore the relief of Mafeking was celebrated by more or less the whole community, not merely the British, and the Chinese took a considerable part. There are many here not of British birth who would be only too glad to share in any public demonstration, and certainly a general illumination of the town and something in the nature of a fête, even if it be only a public performance of bands, would be very much in place. The regularity of ceremonies like the Trooping of the Colours on the Queen's Birthday shows how many are anxious for such spectacles. This Trooping of the Colours is to be repeated on Monday next, Whit Monday, but it is to be hoped that this will not militate against an opportunity being given us to show how glad we are that the Empire has come safely through its troubles. It may be that the actual news for which we have been looking will not arrive until Monday, in which case all will be simplified; but in any case I hope that the occasion will not be allowed to pass without the whole community being allowed to join in the rejoicing.—Yours etc.

A MEMBER OF THE COMMUNITY.

LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The N. P. steamer *Gleagyle* sailed from Tacoma on the 30th ultimo for Japan and Hongkong.
The Appear Line steamer *Catherine Apeer*, from Calcutta, left Singapore for this port on the 31st ultimo.
The O. S. S. steamer *Mansiana* left Singapore on the 1st inst. and is due in Hongkong on 6th inst.

A man who was a great drunkard was persuaded to take the pledge, and some time afterwards a lady went to see his wife, and asked her how they were getting on, to which she replied, "Oh, man, we're getting on right well." He never beats me now, and never swears at me. I say he's more like a friend than a husband now."

SOFT, FAIR, DELICATE SKIN. "A clear and healthy complexion produced by using ROWLAND'S KALYDOE, the most soothing, healing, curative and refreshing preparation, and warranted harmless to the most delicate skin. It prevents and removes Freckles, Tan, Sunburn, Redness, Roughness, Itch, Gouty eruptions, Irritation, Stings of Insects, Bores, Burns, imparts a luxuriant beauty to the complexion, and arranges the neck, hands and arms in matchless whiteness, unobtainable by any other means. Ask Stokes and Chamists, 72, BOWLING KALYDOE, and avoid poisonous imitations."

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TELEGRAMS.

"DAILY PRESS" SERVICE.

SHANGHAI, 1st June, 4.39 p.m.

GREAT FIRE AT TIENSIN.

Fires, believed to be the work of an incendiary, have taken place at Tientsin today. The Chartered Bank building has been saved, but Messrs. Calbeck, Macgregor & Co.'s office and godown and the Equitable Life Assurance office are gutted.

THE WAR.

London, 31st May, 10.55 p.m.

BRITISH FLAG OVER JOHANNESBURG.

Lord Roberts reports that the troops are in possession of Johannesburg and the British flag has been hoisted over the Government Buildings.

London, 31st May, 12.40 p.m.

THE FLIGHT OF KRUGER—PRETORIA PREPARING TO SURRENDER.

Trustworthy unofficial intelligence states that President Kruger has fled to Watervalboven. The burgo-master is authorised to surrender Pretoria.

LORD ROBERTS NOT YET AT THE TRANSVAAL CAPITAL.

Lord Roberts wires that he agreed to defer entering Johannesburg for 24 hours.

REUTERS SERVICE.

London, 30th May.

FRANCE—GEN. GALLIFFET RESIGNS. General de Galliffet has resigned the ministry for war on the grounds of ill-health. General André replaces him.

THE WAR—LORD ROBERTS' ADVANCE.

Lord Roberts wires that he arrived at Garmiston on the evening of the 29th ult. without being seriously opposed, and proposed to enter Johannesburg the next day at noon with all his troops. Lord Roberts expects no opposition to his entry.

NATAL.

The British forces occupy strong positions commanding Mafeking Hill and Laings Nek.

London, 30th May.

RESULT OF THE DERBY.

1.—Diamond Jubilee.

2.—Simondale.

3.—Disunite.

THE WAR—OPERATIONS IN THE EAST.

General Hildyard has occupied Utrecht and General Clery is bombarding Laings Nek. ANNEXATION OF THE FREE STATE. The annexation proclamation has been read at Bloemfontein. The name of the country henceforward is "The Orange River Colony."

London, 30th May.

LORD ROBERTS' MOVEMENTS—ADVANCE GUARD WITHIN TWO HOURS OF PRETORIA.

Reuters's correspondent at Pretoria, 30th inst., says that the British officers at Johannesburg are dictating the terms for the surrender of the city. The advance guard of the British force is half way to Pretoria. President Kruger has gone to Watervalboven.

The *Daily Mail* correspondent at Pretoria 30th inst. (morning) says that Pretoria will be occupied by the British in two hours without resistance, and that the Burgo-master has been authorised to receive the British.

A Boer Commando has arrived at Koomatipoort.

PREPARATIONS TO RECEIVE THE BOERS AT CEYLON.

The Ceylon Observer gives some details of the preparations which are being made to receive the Boer prisoners expected in Ceylon shortly. Our contemporary states that "it is now pretty certain that at an distant date Ceylon will receive a certain number of Boer prisoners of war for safe custody, but as to the number there appears to be some difference of opinion, and from what we can gather accommodation is being provided for something like 2,000, and not 6,000 as has been stated. The site for the proposed encampment is a short distance from Diyatalawa Railway station, and has many advantages for such an encampment. There has been some doubt as to the sufficiency of the water supply, but we are assured there is an ample supply in the neighbourhood, which, by means of pipes could be laid down to the encampment. Already work has been commenced and in the course of a few days will be in full swing; every endeavour is being made to push on the undertaking as rapidly as possible. We understand it will be completed within six or seven weeks from now, when it is expected that the first batch of prisoners will have arrived. No full adequate measures will be adopted for safeguarding the prisoners, while in Ceylon, and that this duty will devolve upon a British Regiment is pretty certain. In this connection we learn on good authority that no information has been received officially as to which Battalion has been detailed; but it is certain that the Battalion selected will be sent from India. A special correspondent of the paper wrote on the 9th ult. "Work is now proceeding rapidly in connection with the Boer camp on the site of the old Reformatory Home at Happy Valley. Between fifty and sixty buildings, each about 120 feet long, are to be built. When all are complete there will be accommodation for five or six thousand persons. The buildings are to be built of corrugated iron."

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

WANTED.

A TYPEWRITER. Reply, stating Terms, to "S." Care of Daily Press Office. Hongkong, 2nd June, 1900. 1650

HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION. LONG RANGE CUP AND SPOONS.

THERE will be a COMPETITION for the above TO-DAY (SATURDAY), the 2nd instant, at 3 p.m.
Range—600, 700 and 800 Yards.
Conditions as usual. Weather permitting.
MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOTE,
Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, 2nd June, 1900. 93

GYMKHANA.

THE SECOND MEETING of this Season will be held TO-DAY (SATURDAY), at the HAPPY VALLEY, at 4.30 p.m., weather permitting.
Hongkong, 2nd June, 1900. 1651

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

IT is hereby notified that the VALUATION LIST for the year 1900-1901 will be OPEN TO INSPECTION at the Treasury for Twenty-one days, commencing on MONDAY, the 4th June, 1900.
By Command.
F. H. MAY,
Acting Colonial Secretary.
Hongkong, 2nd June, 1900. 1652

"BARBER" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
FROM NEW YORK, SINGAPORE AND MANILA.

THE Steamship

"LIV." having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, at Kowloon, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.
No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 7th instant will be subject to rent.
All broken, chafed and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 8th instant, at 2.30 p.m.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., Agents.
Hongkong, 1st June, 1900. 1470

FOR MAMBOUR, PENANG, AND SINGAPORE.

THE N.G.L. Steamship

"FRELBERG," Captain Prosser, having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature by the Undersigned and to take immediate delivery of their goods from along-side.
Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 3 p.m. TO-DAY.
Any Cargo impeding free discharge will be landed into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.
No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 7th instant will be subject to rent.
All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 7th instant, at 3 p.m.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by SIEMSEN & CO., Agents.
Hongkong, 1st June, 1900. 1649

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S. S. "AFGHANISTAN."

FROM NEW YORK, STRAITS AND MANILA.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, at Kowloon, where and when delivery may be obtained.
No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 7th instant will be subject to rent.
All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 7th instant, at 3 p.m.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by DODWELL & CO., LTD., Agents.
Hongkong, 1st June, 1900. 1648

THE HONGKONG WEEKLY PRESS is now ready and contains—

Leading Articles—

The Philippine Commission.

The Foreign Trade of Japan.

The Victoria Diamond Jubilee Memorial.

The Boxes' Advance on the Capital.

The Health of Hongkong.

Afforestation and Spoilation in Hongkong.

Legislative Council.

Sanitary Board.

Supreme Court.

The Queen's Birthday Reception at Government House.

The Governor's Salary.

The Theatre.

Attempted Murder at Shaikwan.

The Victoria Diamond Jubilee Memorial.

The Larkin Question.

The New Soldiers' and Sailors' Home.

The New Hamburg-America Liner.

The Bank of China and Japan, Limited.

Oliver, Freehold and Queen Mines, Limited.

Canton.

Correspondence.

Hongkong Volunteer Corps.

Hongkong and Port News.

Subscription, \$12 per Annum, payable in advance, postage, 32.

Extra copies 50 cents each, Cash.

Copies can be posted from the Office to addresses sent; including postage 34 cents each, or \$1 for three copies Cash.

Hongkong, 1st June, 1900.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW.

"HALLOONG."

Captain Bathurst, will be despatched for the above port TO-MORROW, the 3rd inst., at DAYLIGHT.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LARPAIK & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, 1st June, 1900. 1647

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA.

"SUNGKIANG."

Captain Moore, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 4th inst., at 4 p.m.

The attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by this Steamer. The Vessel is fitted throughout with Electric Light.

For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 2nd June, 1900. 1653

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.'S NEW YORK LINE.

FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.

"ACARA."

will be despatched for the above port on or about 15th July.

For Freight, apply to SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 1st June, 1900. 1645

NOTICES OF FIRMS

NOTICE.

FROM THIS DATE, MR. DONALDSON RIBBELL LAW and MR. HENRY WALLACE ROBERTSON are authorized to SIGN our Firm, and the authority to SIGN our Firm hitherto held by Mr. HENRIET SMITH is withdrawn.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 1st June, 1900. 1645

NOTICE.

IT is hereby notified that the Business hitherto carried on under the Style or Firm of VANDER STEGEN & CO., at No. 15, Queen's Road, Hongkong, has been CLOSED from the 31st May.

VANDER STEGEN & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 1st June, 1900. 1639

NOTICE.

WE, the Undersigned, have this Day OPENED A BRANCH of our Business at No. 15, Queen's Road Central, Hongkong, having taken over the entire interest and responsibility of the late Firm VANDER STEGEN & CO., at this port.

For the BELGIAN TRADING COMPANY, CH. PAQUET, Manager.

Hongkong, 1st June, 1900. 1649

THE MUTUAL STORES.

8 & 10, D'ARQUILLAR STREET.

WINES AND SPIRITS.

WE have to inform our numerous Customers and the Public in general, that having purchased this line of business, nothing but the BEST BRANDS will be kept in Stock.

Prices very reasonable.

Orders solicited.

Hongkong, 29th May, 1900. 1608

W. B. BREWER & CO.

ALL NEW.

Navy and Army, Illustrated, Vol. 9 \$10.50

Butcher's Fashions, Illustrated Summer Number

Number 1 8.00

Beston's Household Management 4.50

History of Great Britain, 2 Vols. 12.00

Russian-English Dictionary 2.50

Spanish Dialogues 1.00

Joan of the Sword 1.50

Robert's The Stars and their Use at Sea 4.50

Lord Roberts—India 1.00

Red Potage 1.50

Trail on Boilers 7.50

Elementary Seamanship 3.00

Know your own Ship 4.50

Barker's Navigation 2.25

Janieson's Magnetism 2.25

Steam Engines 3.50

Threshold of Science 2.25

Rankin's Engineering 9.50

New Stock Birthday Cards! New Patent Picture Wire, T and Set Squares. Indian Cigars.

23 & 25, Queen's Road, Hongkong. 31

MITSU BISHI DOCKYARD AND ENGINE WORKS, NAGASAKI.

CODE WORD: "DOCK." NAGASAKI A.I., A.B.C., Scotts and Engineering Codes Used.

DOCK No. 1 (at TATEGAMI).

Extreme Length... 523 feet.

Length on Blocks... 513 "

Width of Entrance on Top... 89 "

Width of Entrance on Bottom... 77 "

Water on Blocks at Spring Tide... 26 1/2 "

DOCK No. 2 (at MUKAJIMA).

Extreme Length... 371 feet.

Length on Blocks... 350 1/2 "

Width of Entrance on Top... 66 "

Width of Entrance on Bottom... 53 "

Water on Blocks at Spring Tide... 22 "

PATENT SLIP (at KOSUGE).

Can take vessels up to 1,000 tons gross.

THE WORKS are well equipped with the LATEST IMPROVEMENTS and can execute any kind of work in SHIPBUILDING and MARINE ENGINEERING as well as in REPAIRING OF SHIPS.

THE COMPANY has a POWERFUL SALVAGE PLANT READY AT SHORT NOTICE.

Hongkong, 1st June, 1900. 1619

PUBLIC COMPANIES

THE "STAR" FERRY COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRA-ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the "STAR" FERRY COMPANY, LIMITED, will be held at the Company's Office, No. 2, Connaught Road, Victoria, Hongkong, on MONDAY, the 11th day of June, 1900, at 12.30 o'clock in the afternoon, when the SUBJOINED RESOLUTION which was passed at the Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company held on the 23rd day of May, 1900, will be submitted for confirmation as a SPECIAL RESOLUTION.

"That the Regulations contained in Table A in so far as they apply to this Company be altered as follows:—

That the following clause be substituted for Clause 37 of Table A:—"The quorum for all the purposes of a General Meeting shall be not less than five members present in person or by proxy. No business shall be transacted at any General Meeting unless the quorum is present, be present at the commencement of the business."

By Order. EDWARD OSBORNE, Secretary.

Hongkong, 25th May, 1900. 1658

THE "STAR" FERRY COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

Issue of \$100,000 NEW CAPITAL. In 10,000 SHARES of \$10 EACH, \$250 PAID UP. AT A PREMIUM OF \$5.00 PER SHARE. \$1.50 PAID UP.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Issue of \$100,000 NEW Capital which was sanctioned at the Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company held on 24th May, 1900, will be offered to those persons who are registered as Shareholders on the 9th June, 1900, in the proportion of One New Share to Every Old Share.

The New Shares will be issued at a Premium of \$5, making a Total Payment of \$16 per Share, of which \$5.50 per Share and \$1.50 Premium—\$4 in all, will be PAYABLE on the 16th June, 1900, and the Balance when called for.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 9th June to the 11th June, both days inclusive.

EDWARD OSBORNE, Secretary.

Hongkong, 26th May, 1900. 1657

NOTICE.

HUMPHREYS ESTATE AND FINANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE CERTIFICATE No. 2,630, dated 8th January, 1900, of the Shares numbered 10,291 to 10,295 in this Company, standing in the name of Mr. JAY BUTT, of Yokohama, has been LOST, and if at the expiration of One month from the date hereof, the above document be not forthcoming, another Certificate will be issued by this Company, and thereafter no other will be acknowledged.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON, Governing Directors.

Hongkong, 12th May, 1900. 1493

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that a Meeting of the Board of Directors of the above Company, held at the Registered Office of the Company, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, Hongkong, on TUESDAY, the Twenty-seventh day of March, 1900, the following Resolutions were passed:—

1.—That in pursuance of the provisions of the Special Resolution passed at an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company held on the 7th and continued on the 27th March and since duly registered, the sum of \$1,250,000 be withdrawn from the Reserve Fund and be carried as of the 2nd July next to the Credit of Capital Account, each Share being credited with a sum of \$25 as paid up thereon in addition to the sum of \$50 now standing to the credit of each Share.

2.—That the balance of \$25 per Share of the Capital of the Company be called up, and that a Call be made and is hereby made of \$25 per Share upon all the Shares of the Company, and that the Shareholders be requested to pay the same to the Company's Bankers, the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Limited, at their premises, Queen's Road Central, on or before the 2nd day of July, A.D. 1900.

Shareholders are hereby requested to pay accordingly.

And Notice is also given that, in accordance with Article 24 of the Company's Articles of Association, interest will be charged as from the said 2nd day of July, 1900, at the rate of \$12 per centum per annum, upon all Calls remaining unpaid after the 9th day of July, 1900, up to the actual dates of payment of the same.

By Order of the Board. A. SEELTON HOOPER, Secretary.

Hongkong, 25th March, 1900. 5016

OLIVERS FREEHOLD MINES, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that a FINAL CALL of \$0.50 per Share has been made in respect of the B Shares in the above-named Company, and that such CALL is PAYABLE to the General Managers on the 17th day of JULY next, at the Office of the Company, 38 and 40, Queen's Road Central.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON, General Managers.

Hongkong, 16th May, 1900. 1948

WANTED.

With possession about the latter part of June next, a FIRST FLOOR in QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, or vicinity, with 4 to 6 Rooms, for a Dwelling.

X. M., Care of Hongkong Daily Press, Hongkong, 19th May, 1900. 1652

AMERICAN PORTABLE WOODEN HOUSES

THE Undersigned have been appointed AGENTS, and are prepared to accept orders for a variety of designs.

Particulars on application to—

WOODS & CO., 4, Queen's Road Central, Hongkong, 17th April, 1900.

BANKS.

THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL... £1,500,000

SUBSCRIBED... £1,125,000

PAID-UP... £562,500

RESERVE FUND... £30,000

LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LIMITED.

INTEREST allowed on Current Accounts at the rate of 2 1/2% per annum on the Daily balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS:—

For 12 months... 4 1/2%

" 6 " 3 1/2%

" 3 " 3%

J. THURBURN, Manager, Hongkong.

Hongkong, 24th March, 1900. 1650

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL... \$10,000,000

RESERVE FUND... \$11,500,000

RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPERTIES \$10,000,000

COURT OF DIRECTORS:

N. A. SIEN, Esq., Chairman.

R. SHAW, Esq., Deputy Chairman.

Hon. R. M. Gray, Esq., A. J. Raymond, Esq., E. L. Richardson, Esq., P. Soche, Esq., H. W. Slade, Esq., D. Mayer Moses, Esq.

CHIEF MANAGER: Hongkong—SIR THOMAS JACKSON.

MANAGER: Shanghai—J. P. WADE GARDNER, Esq.

LONDON BANKERS—LONDON AND COUNTY BANKING COMPANY, LIMITED.

HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED.

On Current Account at the rate of 2 per Cent. per Annum on the daily balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS:

For 3 months, 2 1/2 per cent. per Annum.

For 6 months, 3 1/2 per cent. per Annum.

For 12 months, 4 1/2 per cent. per Annum.

H. M. BEVIS, Acting Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 1st June, 1900. 17

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE Business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be obtained on application.

INTEREST on deposits is allowed at 3 1/2 per Cent. per annum.

Depositors may transfer at their option balances of \$100 or more to the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK to be placed on FIXED DEPOSIT at 4 per Cent. per annum.

For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

H. M. BEVIS, Acting Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 26th March, 1900. 18

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL... £1,000,000

PAID-UP CAPITAL... £324,374

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VESSELS ON THE BERTH

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

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THE "AUSTRALIAN."
Captain P. Holmes, will be despatched for the above ports on TUESDAY, the 5th inst., at Noon.

This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Chamber, for the supply of Fresh Provisions, Ice, &c., throughout the voyage.

This Steamer is installed throughout with the Electric Light.

A Stewardess and a duly qualified Surgeon are carried.

For Passage, apply to
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 26th May, 1900. [1616]

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, COLOMBO AND BOMBAY.

(Taking Cargo at through rates to CALCUTTA, MADRAS, PERSIAN GULF, BLACK SEA, LEVANT, and ADRIATIC PORTS.)

THE "INDIA."
Captain A. Marindich, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 5th June, P.M., instead of as previously advertised.

Europe cargo is transhipped on arrival at Bombay in close connection.

For information as to Freight, apply to
SANDER, WIELER & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 31st May, 1900. [1538]

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA.

THE "DIAMANTE."
Captain G. J. Binsland, will be despatched for the above port on THURSDAY, the 7th inst., at 3 P.M.

The attention of Passengers is directed to the Excellent Accommodation provided by this Steamer. She is fitted throughout with Electric Light.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 1st June, 1900. [1042]

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR TIENTSIN.

THE "NANCHANG."
Captain Fintush, will be despatched as above on THURSDAY, the 7th June.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, 29th May, 1900. [1006]

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA.

THE "TAIWAN."
Captain Nelson, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 8th June.

The attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by this Steamer. First Class Saloon is situated forward of the Engines. A Refrigerating Chamber ensures the Supply of Fresh Provisions during the entire voyage.

A qualified Surgeon is carried, and the Vessel is fitted throughout with Electric Light.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, 29th May, 1900. [1608]

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

CALIFORNIA AND ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

IN CONNECTION WITH THE

ATCHESON, TOPEKA AND SANTA FE RAILROAD CO.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM

HONGKONG TO SAN DIEGO

AND SAN FRANCISCO,

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN PORTS AND HONOLULU.

THE "BELGIAN KING."
On 12th June, 3.30 P.M.

THE "TETRA."
On 20th July, 8.52 P.M.

The Steamer "BELGIAN KING" will be despatched for SAN DIEGO and SAN FRANCISCO via MOJI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU on 12th June.

Through Bills of Lading issued to any point in the United States.

Cargo will be received on board until 4 P.M. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the Office until the same time. All parcels should be marked to address in full. Value of same is required.

Consular Invoices, to accompany Cargo destined to points beyond San Diego, should be sent to the Company's Office, addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Diego.

For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, 26th May, 1900. [14]

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

TOYO KISEN KAISHA.

TO SAN FRANCISCO VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

NIPPON MARU (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu) Saturday, June 2, 1900, at 9 A.M.

AMERICA MARU (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu) Tuesday, June 26, 1900, at Noon.

HONGKONG MARU (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu) Saturday, July 21, 1900, at Noon.

THE "NIPPON MARU" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA, and HONOLULU on SATURDAY, the 2nd June, 1900, at 9 A.M., taking Freight and Passengers for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates may be obtained on application.

Passengers holding through ORDERS TO EUROPE have the choice of Overland Rail routes from San Francisco, including the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE, and NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAYS; also the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY on payment of 24 in addition to the regular tariff rate.

Particulars of the various routes can be had on application.

Special rates (first class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, to European officials in service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, via Overland Railway, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Company's and connecting Steamers.

Freight will be received on board until 4 P.M. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the Office until 5 P.M. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to points beyond San Francisco in the United States should be sent to the Company's Office in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, Queen's Building.

C. L. GORHAM,
Acting Agent.

Hongkong, 2nd June, 1900. [5]

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOTS-POSTE FRANCAIS.

NOTICE.

STEAM FOR SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, COLOMBO, PONDICHERRY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA, DIBOUTI, EGYPT, MARSEILLE, MEDITER- RANEAN AND BLACK SEA PORTS, LONDON, HAVRE, BORDEAUX, PORTS OF BRAZIL AND RIVERPLATE.

ON MONDAY, the 4th June, 1900, at 1 P.M., the Company's Steamship "SALAZIE," Captain Negro, with Mails, Passengers, Specie and Cargo, will leave this port for MARSEILLE via ports of call, WITHOUT TRANSIT.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon, Cargo will be received on board until 4 P.M. Specie and Parcels until 3 P.M. on the 3rd June. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.) Contents and Value of Packages are required.

For further Particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.

Hongkong, 24th May, 1900. [2]

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.

THROUGH BILLS OF LADING ISSUED FOR BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL AND AMERICAN PORTS.

THE "BALLARAT."
Captain C. L. W. Field, carrying Her Majesty's Mails, will be despatched for this port on SATURDAY, the 3rd June, 1900, at Noon, taking passengers and cargo for the above ports. Specie and Valuable, all cargo for France, and Tea for London (under arrangement), will be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London; other cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed via Bombay with transhipment.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 P.M. the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.

Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills of Lading.

For further particulars, apply to
A. M. MARSHALL,
Acting Superintendent.

Hongkong, 26th May, 1900. [1]

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

U.S. MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

CITY OF RIO DE JANEIRO (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu) Saturday, June 2, 1900, at Noon.

CITY OF Peking (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu) Tuesday, July 3, 1900, at Noon.

CHINA (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu) Tuesday, July 31, 1900, at Noon.

THE "CITY OF RIO DE JANEIRO" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA, and HONOLULU, on SATURDAY, the 2nd June, at Noon.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at HONOLULU, and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates may be obtained on application.

Passengers holding through ORDERS TO EUROPE have the choice of overland Rail routes from San Francisco, including the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE, and NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAYS; also the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY on payment of 24 in addition to the regular tariff rate.

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Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, via Overland Railway, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Company's and connecting Steamers.

Freight will be received on board until 4 P.M. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the Office until 5 P.M. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to points beyond San Francisco in the United States should be sent to the Company's Office in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, Queen's Building.

C. L. GORHAM,
Acting Agent.

Hongkong, 16th May, 1900. [3]

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

NAVIGAZIONE GENERALE ITALIANA (FLORIO AND RUBINATO UNITED COMPANIES).

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND BOMBAY.

Having connection with Company's Mail Steamers to ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, MESSINA, NAPLES, LONDON, and GENOA, also VENICE, and TRIESTE, all MEDITERRANEAN, ADRIATIC, LEVANTINE and SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS up to CALLAO.

Taking Cargo at through rates to PERSIAN GULF and BASRAH, also BARCELONA, VALPARAISO, ALICANTE, AMERICA and MALAGA.

THE "BORNIDA."
Captain Sartorio, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 9th June, at Noon.

At Bombay the steamer is discharging in Victoria Dock.

For further particulars regarding freight and passage, apply to
CARLOWITZ & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 31st May, 1900. [7]

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE "AGAMEMNON."
Captain Nish, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 12th June.

For Freight, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, 4th May, 1900. [1539]

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

OHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SAMARANG AND SOERABAYA.

THE "SHANTUNG."
Captain Quail, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 12th June.

For Freight, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, 20th May, 1900. [1520]

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

BEN LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR LONDON.

THE "BENLARIK."
Captain Kroble, will be despatched as above on or about SATURDAY, the 9th June.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 19th May, 1900. [1513]

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, BOMBAY, KARACHI, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, TRIESTE AND TRIESTE.

(Taking Cargo at through rates to SOUTH AFRICA, PERSIAN GULF, RED SEA, BLACK SEA, LEVANT, and ADRIATIC PORTS.)

THE "GISELA."
Captain F. Messa, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 9th June, P.M.

Silk and Valuable are transhipped on arrival at Bombay into an accelerated liner.

For information as to Passage and Freight, apply to
SANDER, WIELER & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 31st May, 1900. [6]

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

THE OSAKI SHOSSEN KAISHA, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY, AND TAIWANFOO.

THE "ANPING MARU."
Captain I. Sato, will be despatched for the above ports on WEDNESDAY, the 13th June, at DAYLIGHT.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
THE MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA,
Agents.

Hongkong, 29th May, 1900. [1443]

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LIVERPOOL DIRECT.

(Taking Cargo at London rates.)

THE "DIOMED."
Captain Goodwin, will be despatched as above on WEDNESDAY, the 13th June.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, 20th May, 1900. [1398]

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

OCCIDENTAL AND ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA, AND EUROPE, VIA THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS AND ATLANTIC AND OTHER CONNECTING STEAMERS.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

Coptic (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu) Tuesday, June 19, 1900, at Noon.

Gario (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu) Saturday, July 14, 1900, at Noon.

Donic (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu) Tuesday, Aug. 7, 1900, at Noon.

THE "COPTIC."
will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA, and HONOLULU on TUESDAY, the 19th June, 1900, at Noon.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN and call at HONOLULU, and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates and particulars of the various routes may be obtained upon application.

Special rates (first class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, to European officials in service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Passengers who have paid full fare, on embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (or vice versa) within one year, will be allowed discount of 10 per cent. This allowance does not apply to through fares from China and Japan to Europe.

All Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full, and sent to the Company's Office until FIVE P.M. the day previous to sailing.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to points beyond San Francisco in the United States should be sent to the Company's Office, addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Francisco.

For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, Queen's Building.

C. L. GORHAM,
Acting Agent.

Hongkong, 2nd May, 1900. [4]

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE "ANTENOR."
Captain M. H. F. Jackson, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 26th June.

For Freight, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, 19th May, 1900. [1517]

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

UNITED STATES AND CHINA-JAPAN STEAMSHIP LINE.

(ROB. M. SLOMAN & CO., HAMBURG.)

FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.
The full-powered Steamship

"ALBENGA."
Capt. Petersen, will be despatched for the above port on or about 24th July.

For Freight, apply to
CARLOWITZ & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 30th May, 1900. [1617]

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

UNITED STATES AND CHINA-JAPAN STEAMSHIP LINE.

(HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE HAMBURG.)

FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.
The full-powered Steamship

"ARMENIA."
Captain Ostermann, will be despatched for the above port on or about 29th June.

For Freight, apply to
CARLOWITZ & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 24th May, 1900. [1420]

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE "SIKH."
will be despatched for the above port on or about the 10th July.

For Freight, apply to
DODWELL & CO., Ltd.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 1st June, 1900. [1641]

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

NATAL LINE OF STEAMERS.

THE Underigned GENERAL AGENTS in CHINA and JAPAN for the above Line are prepared to issue THROUGH BILLS OF LADING for all the principal ports in South Africa, in connection with 1890-CHINA STRAIT NAVIGATION Co's fortnightly service hence to CALCUTTA. Sailings from CALCUTTA for CAPE PORTS every fortnight.

For Freight and further particulars, apply to
DODWELL & CO., LIMITED,
General Agents for China and Japan.
Hongkong, 4th August, 1897.

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

The Post Office will be closed at 1230 p.m. on Whit Monday, the 4th instant. The Night Box will be left open. The Money Order Office will be entirely closed. The City of Rio de Janeiro, with the American Mail, left Shanghai on Wednesday, the 30th ult., at 11 p.m., and may be expected here on Monday, the 28th ult., at 5 p.m., and may be expected here on or about Monday, the 4th instant. This Packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on 31st March. The *Coptic*, with the American Mail, left Yokohama on Thursday, the 31st ult., at daylight, and may be expected here on or about Thursday, the 7th instant.

MAILS WILL CLOSE.

FOR	PER	DAY AND HOUR.
Poochow	Poochow	Saturday, 2nd, 11.00 A.M.
Singapore, Penang and Calcutta	Kanung	Saturday, 2nd, 11.00 A.M.
Hongkong	Shanghai	Saturday, 2nd, 11.00 A.M.
Nagasaki and Kobe	Hongkong	Saturday, 2nd, 11.00 A.M.
Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne	Maizong	Saturday, 2nd, 11.00 A.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Tamsui	Hongkong	Saturday, 2nd, 5.00 P.M.
Swatow and Bangkok	Chaofo	Sunday, 3rd, 9.00 A.M.
Europe, A.C. India via Taticorin	Saluzia	Monday, 4th, 9.00 A.M.
(Late Letters 12.10 to 12.30 P.M. Extra Postage 10 cents)		Registration 11.00 A.M.
		(Registration, with late fee of 10 cents, up to 11.45 A.M.)
		Letters 12.00 P.M.
Shanghai, Moji, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria, B.C. & Seattle, U.S.A.	Rijzen Maru	Monday, 4th, 11.00 A.M.
Kobe	Australasia	Monday, 4th, 11.00 A.M.
Samsui and Wuchow	Vichow	Monday, 4th, 11.00 A.M.
Manila	Sungking	Monday, 4th, 3.00 P.M.
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBÉ and YOKOHAMA, VICTORIA and VANCOUVER, B.C.	Empress of China	Wednesday, 6th June
Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the Mail. Extra postage 10 cents.		Registration 10.00 A.M.
		(Registration, with late fee of 10 cents, up to 10.45 A.M.)
		Letters 11.00 A.M.
Samsui and Wuchow	Samsui	Thursday, 7th, 4.00 P.M.
Manila, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne	Taiwan	Friday, 8th, 3.00 P.M.
Singapore, Penang and Bombay	Bornida	Saturday, 9th, 11.00 A.M.
Samsui and Wuchow	Wuchow	Monday, 11th, 4.00 P.M.
Moji, Kobe, Yokohama, San Diego and San Francisco	Belgian King	Tuesday, 12th, 11.00 A.M.
		Registration 10.00 A.M.
		(Registration, with late fee of 10 cents, up to 10.45 A.M.)
		Letters 11.00 A.M.

TO-DAY.
Second Gymkhana Meeting, Happy Valley, 4.30 p.m.
Shooting Competition, Hongkong Rifle Association, 3 p.m.

COMMERCIAL.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.
FRIDAY, 1st June.

ON LONDON—	1/11
Telegraphic Transfer	1/11
Bank Bills, on demand	1/11
Bank Bills, at 30 days sight	1/11
Bank Bills, at 4 months sight	1/11
Credit, at 4 months sight	1/11
Documentary Bills, 4 months sight	2/0
ON PAIRS—	2.40
Bank Bills, on demand	2.40
Credit, at 4 months sight	2.50
ON GERMANY—	2.00
On demand	2.00
Bank Bills, on demand	47
Credit, 60 days sight	48
ON BOMBAY—	146
Telegraphic Transfer	146
Bank, on demand	146
ON CALCUTTA—	146
Telegraphic Transfer	146
Bank, on demand	146
ON SHANGHAI—	71
Bank, at sight	71
Private, 30 days sight	72
ON YOKOHAMA—	34 p.m.
On demand	34 p.m.
ON SINGAPORE—	11 p.m.
On demand	11 p.m.
ON BATAVIA—	117
On demand	117
ON HAMBURG—	3 p.m.
On demand	3 p.m.
ON SAIGON—	21 p.m.
On demand	21 p.m.
ON BANGKOK—	69
On demand	69
SOVEREIGNS, Bank's Buying Rate	10.13
GOLD LEAF, 100 fine, per leaf	52.75
BAR SILVER, per oz.	27.75

Quotations are—

Malva New	880 to 1 catty.
Malva Old	890 to 900
Malva Older	890 to 900
P. P. per wrapped	880 to 890
Persian fine quality	890 to 900
Persian extra fine	890 to 900
Patna New	890 to 900
Patna Old	890 to 900
Bonates New	890 to 900
Bonates Old	890 to 900

PASSENGERS.

DEPARTED.
For Manilla, Messrs. J. S. Goss, N. Miguel, Miss C. Negro, Miss G. Piccolo, Mr. R. Arriano, Misses Arriano (2), Mr. G. Ludwig, Mrs. Meerton, Mr. and Mrs. Albert, four sons and one daughter, Messrs. Carolan and P. Schmidt, Mrs. Bailey, Messrs. A. L. Binsloss and F. W. Perkins, Mrs. Sears, Messrs. W. M. Carrier, Sophie Gross, E. Fernandez, S. Calisto, N. Inouye, D. Beck, D. Reyes, T. Benintano, J. T. Ortega, Mrs. Glasseman, Messrs. A. B. Tyro and O. L. Leo.

VESSELS EXPECTED.

THE AMERICAN MAIL.
The P.M. steamer *City of Peking*, with mails, &c., left San Francisco for this port via Honolulu, Yokohama, Inland Sea, Kobe, Nagasaki, and Shanghai, on the 19th inst.

The T. K. K. steamer *America*, with mails, &c., left San Francisco for this port via Honolulu, Yokohama, Inland Sea, Kobe, Nagasaki, and Shanghai, on the 19th inst.

The O. & O. steamer *Coptic*, with mails, &c., from San Francisco to the 11th inst., via Honolulu, has arrived at Yokohama, and left for this port on the 31st ult., via Inland Sea, Kobe, Nagasaki and Shanghai.

The P.M. steamer *City of Peking*, with mails, &c., left San Francisco for this port via Honolulu, Yokohama, Inland Sea, Kobe, Nagasaki, and Shanghai on the 29th inst.

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JOINT STOCK SHARES.

STOCKS.	No. OF SHARES.	PAID UP.	LAST DIVIDEND.	CLOSING QUOTATIONS.
HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION	80,000	\$125	30¢ div. & 10¢ bonus at 1/11/99—\$23.33 for 2nd half year '99	317 p. et. pr.—\$23.25
Bank of China & Japan, Ltd.	199,873	\$28	None	\$21
Do. Deferred	1,250	\$21	None	\$21
National Bank of China, Ltd.	19,970 A	\$20	28¢ for 1899	\$27, sales and buyers
Do. Founders' Shares	29,953 B	\$21	28¢ for 1899	\$27, sales and buyers
MARINE INSURANCE.				
Union Ins. Society, Ltd.	10,000	\$250	30 p. et. for 1898	\$230, buyers
China Traders Ins. Co., Ltd.	24,000	\$25	10 p. et. for 1898	\$24, sales and buyers
North China Ins. Co., Ltd.	5,000	\$25	10 p. et. for 1898	Tia. 165
Yangtze Ins. Assoc., Ltd.	8,000	\$100	10 p. et. for 1897	\$121, sellers
Canton Ins. Office, Ltd.	10,000	\$250	\$11 for 1898	\$130, sales and buyers
Strait Insurance Co., Ltd.	30,000	\$100	5 p. et. for 1895	\$1
FIRE INSURANCE.				
Hongkong Fire Ins. Co., Ltd.	8,000	\$250	\$27 for 1898	\$275, sellers
China Fire Ins. Co., Ltd.	20,000	\$100	\$6 for 1898	\$29, sales
SHIPPING.				
Hongkong, Canton and Swatow S. S. Co., Ltd.	80,000	\$15	\$1.20 for half year ended 31/12/99	\$301, buyers
Imo-China S. S. Co., Ltd.	10,000	\$10	10 p. et. & 2 p. et. bonus for 1898	\$80, sellers
China & Manila S. S. Co., Ltd.	14,000	\$50	30 p. et. for 1898	\$100 old & new issue
Douglas Steamship Co., Ltd.	20,000	\$50	12 p. et. for year ending 30/6/98	\$481, sellers
China Mutual S. S. Co., Ltd.	20,000	\$10	Final of 3 p. et. & 2 p. et. for 1898 on profit	\$10, buyers
Do. Ordinary	20,000	\$10	10 p. et. & 2 p. et. bonus for 1898	\$10, buyers
Star Ferry Co., Limited	10,000	\$10	\$1.05—12 p. et. for year ended 30/4/00	\$18, sales and buyers
Shell Transport & Trading Co., Limited	18,000	\$100	Final of 5 p. et. & 2 p. et. for 1899	\$200, buyers
REFINERIES.				
China Sugar Refining Co., Ltd.	20,000	\$100	Final of \$5—\$7 for '99	\$125, sellers
Luzon Sugar Refining Co., Ltd.	7,000	\$100	Final of \$3 for 1897	\$86, sales
MINEING.				
Panjo Mining Co., Ltd.	60,000	\$8	None	\$13, sellers
Do. Preference	30,000	\$1	None	\$130
Société Fran. des Chats	10,000	\$250	None	\$300, sellers
Queens Mine, Limited	40,000	\$25	5 p. et. half year end 31/7/99 (coupon 9)	20 cts, sellers
Jebsen Mining and Trading Company, Ltd.	45,000	\$5	17 p. et. & 10 cts. 10th div. on 15/10/99	\$12.50, sol. and sellers
Raul Australian Gold Mining Co., Limited	20,000	\$1	None	\$3
Olivea Freshold Mines, Limited	15,000	\$5	None	\$3
Great Eastern and Cal. Old Mining Co., Ltd.	140,000	\$4	First year	50 cts, sales
Do. Preference	70,000	\$1	None	40 cts.
DOCKS, WHARVES, &c.				
Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., Limited	12,000	\$125	30 p. et. & 12 p. et. bonus for 1898	485 p. et. pr.—\$73.25
Hongkong and Whampoa Wharf and G. Co., Ltd.	20,000	\$50	Final of 5 p. et. for 1898	\$84
Wanchai Warehouse and Storage Co., Ltd.	2,000	\$100	Final of \$1.5—\$3 for 1899	\$54, buyers
New Amoy Dock Co., Ltd.	6,000	\$6	22 p. et. for 1898	\$21, buyers
LANDS, HOUSES & BUILDINGS.				
Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$100	Final of \$3—\$4 for 1899	\$134, buyers
Kowloon Land & B. Co., Ltd.	6,000	\$70	\$31 for 1898	\$251, sellers
West Point Building Co., Ltd.	12,000	\$50	Final of \$1.15—\$2 for 1898	\$48, sellers
Humphreys Est. & F. Co., Ltd.	65,000	\$10	3 p. et. for 1899	\$101, sellers
COTTON MILLS.				
Ewo Cotton Spinning and Weaving Co., Ltd.	17,500	\$100	31 p. et. for period ending 31/10/97	Tia. 65
International Cot. Mfg. Co., Ltd.	10,000	\$100	3 p. et. on account '98	Tia. 62
Loan Tung Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	5,000	\$100	4 p. et. on account	Tia. 70
Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Company, Ltd.	2,000	\$100	4 p. et. for period ending 31/12/97	Tia. 575
Yahong Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.	7,000	\$100	None	Tia. 57
Weav. & Dye Co., Ltd.	12,000	\$100	None	Tia. 57, sellers
MISCELLANEOUS.				
Green Island Cement Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$10	10 p. et. for 1898	\$201, sellers
China Borneo Co., Ltd.	7,000	\$20	None	\$24, buyers
A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd.	60,000	\$10	Final of 6 p. et. making 11 p. et. for '99	\$16, sellers
Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd.	30,000	\$10	60 cts. on 10/7/99	\$11.55, sellers
Hongkong and China Gas Company, Limited	7,000	\$10	Final of 4 p. et. for 1898	\$127
Hongkong Rope Mfg. Co., Ltd.	10,000	\$20	\$10 for 1898	\$170
Geo. Fawcett & Co., Ltd.	6,000	\$25	15 p. et. for 1898	\$84, sellers
Hongkong Ice Co., Ltd.	5,000	\$25	\$12 for year ended 30/11/99	\$105, buyers
Hongkong High Level Tramways Co., Ltd.	1,250	\$100	80-11-99	\$105, buyers
Dairy Farm Co., Ltd.	10,000	\$71	8 p. et. for 1898	\$8, sales and buyers
Carmichael & Co., Ltd.	2,000	\$20	\$20 for 1898	\$89
H. K. China Ice Co., Ltd.	10,000	\$20	15 p. et. for 1898	\$16, buyers
Campbell, Moore & Co., Ltd.	1,200	\$10	12 p. et. for 1898	\$11, buyers
Bell's Asbestos & Ag. Co., Ltd.	10,000	\$1	None	\$11, buyers
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Limited	100,000	\$1	None	\$11, buyers
Tobacco Planting Co., Ltd.	10,000	\$5	None	\$2
China Provident Loan & Mortgage Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$20	60 cts. for period ending 31/12/99	\$90, sellers
Watkins, Limited	1,000	\$10	8 p. et. for 1898	\$101, sellers

THE WEATHER.

CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER, 31st MAY, P.M.

CHINA AND NEPHROLOGICAL REGISTER, 1st MAY, P.M.						
STATION.	Hour.	Barometer. reduced to sea level and 100 Fathoms.	Thermometer. surface.	Humidity.	Direction force.	Wind force.
Vladivostok	2 p.	29.60	—	—	s	3
Kobe	2 p.	29.82	—	—	w	0
Nagasaki	2 p.	29.70	—	—	w	0
Kagoshima	2 p.	29.70	—	—	w	0
Taipei	1 p.	29.91	—	—	NE	6
Amoy	2 p.	29.84	—	—	s	2
Swatow	2 p.	29.85	—	—	w	4
Canton	2 p.	29.89	—	—	w	4
Hongkong	2 p.	29.85	—	—	SE	10
Shanghai	3 p.	29.64	77	78	E	12
Yokohama	2 p.	29.81	82	83	SE	1
Amoy	2 p.	29.83	80	81	SE	1
Canton	2 p.	29.78	70	95	SE	1
Shanghai	4 p.	29.77	70	92	E	2
Vladivostok	2 p.	29.75	—	—	s	3
Kobe	2 p.	29.75	—	—	s	3
Nagasaki	2 p.	29.75	—	—	SE	1
Kagoshima	2 p.	29.75	—	—	SE	1
Taipei	1 p.	29.76	63	61	WSW	1
Amoy	3 p.	29.81	—	—	WSW	2
Swatow	2 p.	29.81	—	—	SW	3
Canton	2 p.	29.78	88	89	SW	3
C. S. James	2 p.	29.78	82	84	S	2
1st June, A.M.						
Vladivostok	7 a.	29.83	50	90	SE	3
Kobe	7 a.	29.83	—	—	SE	3
Nagasaki	7 a.	29.83	—	—	SE	3
Kagoshima	7 a.	29.83	—	—	SE	3
Taipei	6 a.	29.91	—	—	F	0
Amoy	7 a.	29.88	—	—	E	2
Swatow	7 a.	29.80	—	—	SE	2
Canton	7 a.	29.78	72	75	SE	2
Hongkong	7 a.	29.77	72	75	SE	2
Shanghai	7 a.	29.91	77	77	SW	2
Yokohama	7 a.	29.87	77	77	SW	2
Vladivostok	10 a.	29.86	79	80	E	1
Kobe	10 a.	29.85	80	81	E	3
Nagasaki	10 a.	29.85	80	81	ENE	3
Kagoshima	10 a.	29.85	80	81	N	1
Taipei	10 a.	29.88	60	60	W	1
Amoy	10 a.	29.88	60	60	W	1
Swatow	10 a.	29.89	60	60	SW	1
Canton	10 a.	29.89	60	60	SW	1
Hongkong	10 a.	29.89	60	60	SW	1
Shanghai	10 a.	29.89	60	60	SW	1
Yokohama	10 a.	29.89	60	60	SW	1
C. S. James	7 a.	29.89	60	60	SW	1